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TRANSPORTATION BRANCH  
SERVICES DIVISION  
MONTHLY REPORT FOR  
SEPTEMBER 1958

3 October 1958

1. Accomplishments

During the past month Branch personnel reviewed and evaluated for the Department of State six technical pamphlets submitted by USSR delegation to the ECE Working Group on Technical Railway Problems. We found the pamphlets to have no intelligence significance and also to contain no new technical data or reporting not easily obtainable in other Soviet literature.

Personnel in the Far East section, particularly [REDACTED], have been called upon to render unusual amounts of current intelligence support on the Formosa Straits problem. The effectiveness of this support has been limited considerably by the faulty reporting from the field on this area. We are negotiating currently with other Agencies to determine measures or procedures that can be adopted to correct this reporting. Pending a solution to the problem we are currently making our own rack-ups of activities in the Formosa Straits area.

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Branch personnel submitted or contributed to ten other items for OCI publications.

25X1A9a [REDACTED] is furnishing support to DD/P on air corridors throughout the Soviet Bloc.

25X1A9a [REDACTED] briefed FDD representatives on S/TR merchant shipping requirements.

2. Administration

25X1A9a Mr. [REDACTED] entered on duty with the Branch and has been assigned to S/TR/F.

3. Report on S/TR Research Activity

A Projects Submitted in September

<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Analyst(s)</u>
CIWR, II	Ice Conditions Turn Back Northern Sea Route Convoys	[REDACTED]
S-368	Evaluation of Technical Soviet Railroad Pamphlets	[REDACTED]

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Project Number	Title	Analyst(s)
00.2416	Priority Gaps in Intelligence: European Satellites Maritime Shipping Communist China: Inland Transport	25X1A9a
10.2425	OCI Country Handbook: Albania	
40.2423	Non-Military Soviet Arctic Communications	
B. <u>Projects Underway</u>		

Project Number	Title	Analyst(s)	Remarks
10.1803	Chincom NIE		
40.2241	Middle East Shipping		
43.1956	Transport Contribution to ComChina GNP		Overdue
43.1957	Rail Transport in Soviet South Siberia		Overdue
43.1959	EuSats Transport Systems: A. East Germany, B. Poland		Both Overdue
43.2293	Standardization of Soviet Bloc Transportation		Overdue
43.2294	Polish Civil Air		
43.2296	USSR Missile Units		
43.2298	USSR Missile Launching Systems		
43.2301	ComChina Dependence on Foreign Shipping		
43.2304	Communist China's Inland Water Transport		
43.2305	Transport Trends in the USSR		

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<u>Project Number</u>		<u>Analyst(s)</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
43.2306	Soviet Merchant Fleet Operations		25X1A9a
43.2307	Pattern of POL Traffic		
43.2309	Communist China's Highway Transport		
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